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a) The period for reply expires 3 months from the mailing date of the final rejection. b) In view of the early submission of the proposed reply (within two months as set forth in MPEP § 706.07 (f)), the period for reply expires on the mailing date of the final rejection, whichever is late. In no event, however, with the statutory period for the reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the mailing date of the final rejection, whichever is late. In no event, however, with the statutory period for the reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the mailing date of the final rejection, or the final rejection of the reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the mailing date of the final rejection of the may be destinated from (1) the expiration date of the shortened and the corresponding amount of the final rejection. Extensions of the may be destinated of 27 CFR 1.176 is calculated from (1) the expiration date of the shortened statutory previot or reply inclinated extension fee under 37 CFR 1.176 is calculated from (1) the expiration date of the shortened statutory previot for reply inclinated in the final Office action; or (2) as set forth in (b) above, if checked. Any reply received by the Office later than three months affer the mailing date of the final rejection, even if triming vited, may reduce any evener pathent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704 (b). A Notice of Appeal was filed on 37 CFR 1.191(a), to avoid dismissal of the appeal. The proposed amendment(s) will be entered because: (a) The proposed amendment(s) will not be entered because: (a) The proposed amendment(s) will not be entered because: (a) they raise new issues that would require further consideration and/or search. (See NOTE below); (b) they raise new issues that would require further consideration and/or search. (See NOTE below); (c) they are not deemed to place the application in better form for appeal by materially reducing or simplifying the issues for appeal; and/or (d) they are not deemed to place the application in better form for app	Therefore, further action by the applicant is required to avoid the abandonment of this application. A proper reply to a final rejection under 37 CFR 1.113 may only be either: (1) a timely filed amendment which places the application in condition for allowance; (2) a timely filed Notice of Appeal (with appeal fee); or (3) a timely filed Request for Continued Examination (RCE) in	1
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